Meeting Minutes

Attendance

Nikki DeMarce, Associated Industries	Gene Vosberg, WA Restaurant Association
DeDe Edwards, Pederson Fryer Farms	Rob Sumner, Timber Operator's Council
Steve George, Hop Growers of WA	Dick Mettler, NW Wall & Ceiling Contractors
Tom Kwieciak, Bldg Industry Assoc of WA	
	= Present

Introductions / **Minutes** – Meeting called to order at 1:05 PM. Minutes of the June 10, 1997, meeting were approved as read. (No official meetings were held subsequent to that date due to lack of a quorum.)

Actuaries – *Bill Vasek* discussed the effect of the 1996 rate reduction of 27 percent on overall retro refunds. [see handout]

Group Qualifications/Homogeneity – *Stuart Brotherston* briefly discussed Frank's prior proposal (draft "Plan A") regarding homogeneity requirements for groups. Draft "Plan B" would essentially be at the main risk class level. Frank intends to solicit input through a public forum sometime in the near future. He will make sure the advisory committee is kept fully informed and involved in the process. [see handout]

Third Party Recovery – *Stuart* discussed third party recovery and provided a chart based on data produced by Bill White. [see handout]

Claims Update $-Zan\ Johnston$ provided an update on the increase in claims adjudication staff initiated by the agency last summer. There are three new claims units which cover Snohomish County (Unit 8), southwestern Washington (Unit O --not zero) and Pierce County (Unit 9). The plan is that they will be fully operational by mid-March.

Meeting adjourned – at 3:34 PM.

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